
EFFECTIVE

April 1, 2017.

Subject(s)

1. Medicaid (MA) shelter areas.
2. Family Independence Program (FIP) monthly assistance payment standard.
3. SSI Payment Levels.
4. 2017 Increase in the federal poverty guidelines.
5. Child Development and Care (CDC) Income Eligibility Scale.

**1) MA Shelter
Areas****RFT-200, Medicaid Shelter Areas**

A heading row was added to the MA shelter area table on the second page to clarify column content.

**2) FIP Monthly
Assistance
Payment Standard****RFT 210**

Removed CIMS references and Kinship Care Pilot project.

Reason: Policy item clean-up.

**3) 2017 Increase in
the Federal
Poverty Guidelines****RFT 242**

The AD-Care and Medicare Savings Program Income Limit tables have been updated to the new federal poverty guidelines effective April 1, 2017.

Reason: Annual increase in the guidelines.

**4) SSI Payment
Levels****RFT 248**

The optional supplemental amounts for an individual or intact couple payment amounts have changed:

- Domiciliary Care for an individual is \$822.00.
- Personal Care:
 - For an individual is \$892.50
 - For a couple is \$1785.00.
- Home for the Aged:
 - For an individual is \$914.30.
 - For a couple is \$1828.60.

**5) CDC Income
Eligibility Scale****RFT 270, CDC Income Eligibility Scale**

The family contribution category of \$0 has been created to ease the burden on very low income families. The family size of 1 has been separated from the combined family size of 1 and 2 to align with reauthorization requirements. The family contribution per child has been changed for each income level, and a family contribution limit per family has been added.

Reason: Reauthorization requirements.

**MANUAL
MAINTENANCE
INSTRUCTIONS**

Changed Items ...

[RFT 200](#)

[RFT 210](#)

[RFT 242](#)

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